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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently amended) An Aantenna (1) characterised in that it includes comprising: a first (2) and a second (3) linear sub-antenna:

each having a plurality of sensors (21-2M, 31-3N) arranged so as to form first and second line portions, respectively, with each sensor generating a basic signal (Si', Gj');

wherein the angle between respective directional vectors of the first and second tangents to the midpoint respectively of the first and second line portions is between 30° and 150°;

an antenna processing device (4, 5) forming a plurality of combined signals (VSi, VGj) for each line portion, which signal is a combination of basic signals from the sensors of this line portion;

a signal processing device (6, 7) generating useful combined signals (TSi, TGj) by filtering the noise of the combined signals coming from each line portion;

a device (8) for calculating normalized correlation coefficients ([Cij]) between the useful combined signals of the first line portion and the useful combined signals of the second line portion;

a device (8) generating a detection signal ([R_{ij}]) when a normalised correlation coefficient exceeds a detection threshold.

2. (Currently amended) <u>The Aantenna according to claim 1, eharacterised in that it also includes further comprising a target detection device, comparing each calculated normalised correlation coefficient with an associated target detection threshold, detecting and locating a target when a correlation coefficient exceeds said associated <u>target detection</u> threshold.</u>

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- 3. (Currently amended) <u>The Aantenna according to claim 2</u>, characterised in that it includes <u>further comprising</u> a processing device (9) for processing the detection signal and the correlation coefficients generating information concerning the detected target.
- 4. (Currently amended) <u>The Aantenna according to claim 3</u>, characterised in that wherein the information generated includes the distance, the elevation angle, the bearing and the speed of the target.
- 5. (Currently amended) <u>The Aantenna according to claim 3 or 4</u>, characterised in that it includes <u>further comprising a device</u> (10) displaying the information generated.
- 6. (Currently amended) The Aantenna according to claim lany one of the previous elaims, characterised in that wherein each sensor includes a plurality of elementary sensors selected from the group consisting of radar, radioelectric and electromagnetic sensors, hydrophones, transducers, microphones, ultrasound sensors, accelerometers, and optical and :infrared sensors.
- 7. (Currently amended) <u>The Aantenna according to claim 6</u>, characterised in that wherein:

the elementary sensors are transmissive;

the data processing device processes the combined signals according to the signal transmitted by each sensor, which wherein processing includes, for example, a pulse compression.

8. (Currently amended) The Aantenna according to claim 6, characterised in that it also includes further comprising a transmitter, wherein the data processing device processes the combined signals according to the signal transmitted by the transmitter, which wherein processing includes, for example, a pulse compression.

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- 9. (Currently amended) <u>The Aantenna according to claim lany one of the previous elaims</u>, characterised in that wherein the first and second line portions are curves without an inflection point.
- 10. (Currently amended) <u>The Aantenna according to claim 1 any one of the previous elaims</u>, characterised in that wherein the first and second line portions are straight and oriented respectively in elevation angle and bearing.
- 11. (Currently amended) <u>The Aantenna according to claim 10</u>, characterised in that wherein the straight line portions are not parallel.
- 12. (New) The antenna according to claim 4, further comprising a device displaying the information generated.
- 13. (New) The antenna according to claim 5, wherein each sensor includes a plurality of elementary sensors selected from the group consisting of radar, radioelectric and electromagnetic sensors, hydrophones, transducers, microphones, ultrasound sensors, accelerometers, and optical and :infrared sensors.

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